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Applicants: Ganesh C. Deka et al. Docket 14075  
Serial No.: 09/727,857 Group: 1771  
Confirmation No: 4263 Examiner: C. Pratt  
Filed: December 1, 2000  
For: Fibrous Layer Providing Improved Porosity Control  
for Nonwoven Webs

**Petition for One-Month Extension of Time**

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Commissioner For Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

An Office Action which, on its face, granted a three (3) month period of time in which to respond thereto was mailed on March 12, 2003, with respect to the above-identified presently pending application. Accordingly, the shortened statutory period for response was set to end on June 12, 2003.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), Applicants hereby request a one (1) month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action. Thus, the period of response is to be extended until July 12, 2003.

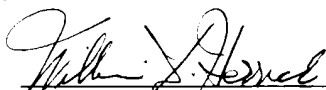
Please charge the \$110.00 fee for this extension of time designated by 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1) to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. deposit account number 11-0875. This extension request is submitted in duplicate.

The undersigned may be reached at: (770) 587-8096.

Respectfully submitted,

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